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In re Application of: Timothy J. Van Hook Examiner: Le, Brian Q.
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPRESSION AND DECOMPRESSION OF DATA Customer No. 30076

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Dear Sirs:

This is in response to the final office action dated July 8, 2005. Please make the following changes to the present application.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the present application. Claim 12 is withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-11 and 13-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claims 1, 5 and 9 are objected to because these claim's language does not reflect the support indicated by the Applicant.

Claims 1-8 and 14 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the combination of Bhargava (U.S. Patent No. 5,471,248) and Jung (U.S. Patent No. 5,805,226).

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